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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

<u>Document No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Country</u>
EP 0 710 043 A1	May 1, 1996	Europe

The cited reference is listed in a European Search Report for the European application corresponding to the present application. A copy of the search report dated February 4, 2004 is included with this submission.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

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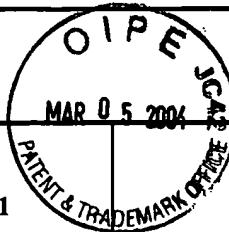
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